

New Plan contribution limits for 2009!

The Internal Revenue Service (IRS) recently announced a cost-of-living adjustment for tax year 2009, increasing the annual contribution limit you can make to your State of Missouri Deferred Compensation Plan account to \$16,500 or 100 percent of includable compensation, whichever is less.

Maximize the limits and catch-up if you can.

To take advantage of the limit increase, you can increase your contribution amount online at http://mo.ingplans.com or by calling 1-800-392-0925.

Age 50 and Over Catch-Up Provision*

If you are age 50 and over, you may be able to make additional catch-up contributions of \$5,500 if you contribute the maximum \$16,500, for a total of \$22,000 to your Plan account.

Three-Year Special Catch-Up Provision*

If you are within three years prior to the year of your retirement, you may be able to double the normal contribution limit and contribute \$33,000 to your Plan. You cannot contribute to the Three-Year Special Catch-Up and the Age 50 and Over Catch-Up Contribution during the same tax year.

Please note employer contributions through the State Incentive and rollovers from other 457 government plans do not count toward the maximum contribution amount.

Not contributing to the Plan? Now's the time to get in the game.

To encourage low- and moderate-income individuals to save more for the future, the government offers a tax credit for contributions. If you're not currently participating, you may be eligible for a credit on your federal taxes equal to a percentage (up to 50%) of the first \$2,000 you invest in the Plan. The credit is available if your adjusted gross income "AGI" does not exceed \$55,500 if you are married and file a joint return; or \$27,750 if you are single or married and file a separate return. The actual amount of your credit is based on your tax filing status and adjusted gross income (AGI) as shown below:

Tax credit	Joint return AGI	Single (other filers) AGI
50%	Less than \$33,000	Less than \$16,500
20%	\$33,001 - \$36,000	\$16,501 - \$18,000
10%	\$36,001 - \$55,500	\$18,001 - \$27,750
0%	Over \$55,500	Over \$27,750

Get started today! To enroll, go to http://mo.ingplans.com or call 1-800-392-0925.